

Application No.: 10/823,173
Amendment dated: September 6, 2005
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b.) Amendments to Drawings:

While the Office Action Summary indicates that the Patent Office has objected to the drawings, no objection is specified in the Detailed Action. Applicant is not clear as to what the objection to the drawings is, since the drawings in this continuation application are the same as in the parent application, which issued as US Patent 6,723,954. Therefore, Applicant believes that no correction to the drawings is required.

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c.) Remarks

Claims 1-9 are pending in this application. Claims 1 and 5 have been amended in various particulars as indicated hereinabove. Claims 2, 4, 6 and 9 have been cancelled.

Claim 2 was allowable, if rewritten in the independent format. This has been done, amended Claim 1 now incorporates the element of Claim 2 and is allowable. Claim 3 now depends off allowable Claim and is allowable.

Similarly, amended Claim 5 incorporates the elements of allowable depends Claim 1 and is now allowable. Claims 7 and 8 depend off allowable Claim 5 and are now allowable.

Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited. Should any questions arise, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

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